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SOCIETY OF THE DIVINE WORD CENTENNIAL

HON. HENRY J. HYDE

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 12, 1995

Mr. HYDE. Mr. Speaker, on Sunday, October 15, hundreds of religious men and women will gather to celebrate the centennial of the Society of the Divine Word.

It was on October 15, 1895, that Brother Wendelin Meyer arrived in North America to establish a religious order of Catholic priests and brothers. Settling in northern Illinois, Brother Meyer and other missionaries opened a technical school for boys. Successful in its efforts, the Society continued its growth in 1909 with the establishment of the Nation's first seminary dedicated to educating men for work in foreign missions. Encouraged by Pope Pius XI, the mission in 1920 opened St. Augustine's Seminary in Bay St. Louis, MS, to serve the special needs of African-American men who wanted to become priests. Its alumni include nine bishops and at least 40 percent of the African-American clergy ordained in the United States.

Vital, successful and, above all, faithful, the Society continues its mission among America's immigrant Hispanic and Vietnamese populations. Its priests and brothers work among the poor on four continents living and practicing the teachings of the Gospel. With such a record of achievement and a brilliant future to come, the Society may look forward to a second century of unbridled progress.

THE RETIREMENT OF ARCHBISHOP IAKOVOS

HON. BENJAMIN A. GILMAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 12, 1995

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, it is my sad duty to inform our colleagues of the impending retirement of one of the more outstanding religious leaders of the 20th century.

Archbishop Iakovos, the leader of the Greek Orthodox Church in the Western Hemisphere since 1959, has recently announced that he will be stepping down from office next June 29, on what will be his 85th birthday.

Throughout his 37 year tenure, the archbishop earned the respect and admiration of individuals of all faiths. His message of brotherhood and peace is truly universal, and has been appreciated by all men and women of good will.

Archbishop Iakovos was born in the Turkish island of Imroz in 1911. As a child, the young man then known as Demetrios A. Concouzins worked hard in his father's general store after school, selling everything to his fellow islanders from food staples to religious icons. But from his youngest days, Demetrios had dreams of entering religious life.

At the age of 16, his dreams began to come true. He entered the Halki Theological School, having passed the necessary entrance exams

and having saved enough money from his own earnings to enable him to travel to the school. He graduated with high honors in 1934, and having been ordained as a deacon, was assigned to the Metropolitan of Derkon in Turkey. After 5 years in that position, he was assigned to the United States. In 1940, in Boston, MA, he achieved his life ambition by being ordained a priest.

Upon assuming the priesthood, by ancient Greek Orthodox custom, he dropped his given name and adopted a new name: "Iakovos," which is Greek for James.

After many years as a priest, a preacher, and a teacher at various well regarded theological colleges in Massachusetts, New York, and Missouri, Iakovos was appointed bishop of Malta in late 1954. Traveling back to Europe to assume this position, Iakovos took with him a reputation for intellectual integrity, heartfelt compassion, and a master's degree he had earned at Harvard Divinity School in his spare time.

On February 14, 1959, Iakovos was elected archbishop of North and South America by the Holy Synod of the Ecumenical Patriarchate. He returned to America on March 31, and was enthroned the following day at the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity in New York City.

Throughout his tenure, Archbishop Iakovos has made it clear to orthodox worshipers and non-orthodox alike that he is not a typical religious leader, and in fact blazed many trails for leaders of other faiths. He marched with the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., during the 1960's to end racial segregation and prejudice in the United States. He received the "Man of the Year" award from B'nai B'rith in 1962, and was also presented with the national award from the National Council of Christians and Jews that same year. He received a Presidential Citation from President Nixon in 1970 as a Distinguished American in Voluntary Service, and was presented with the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the highest civilian award in our Nation, by President Carter in 1980.

Throughout his tenure as archbishop, this remarkable man, Iakovos, amazed his coreligionists and other citizens of the world alike for his holy and profound philanthropy, through his authorship of books and articles in Greek, French and German, as well as in English, and for his unyielding devotion to the Boston Red Sox. For a time, Archbishop Iakovos was President of St. Basil's Academy in Garrison, NY, directly across the Hudson River from my own 20th Congressional District.

Today, in the United States alone, the Greek Orthodox Church boasts over 1½ million adherents who belong to 555 congregations. These communicants of a church founded nearly a millennium ago had found a true spiritual leader in Archbishop Iakovos: A man who not only personified the creed of Greek Orthodoxy, but who earned for that church the admiration and respect of millions of persons who professed other creeds.

Mr. Speaker, while Archbishop Iakovos will be missed, none can dispute that his impending retirement is certainly well earned. I urge all of our colleagues to join with me in wishing this remarkable religious leader many productive, healthy, and happy years to come.

TRIBUTE TO KEVIN J. KRASNECK

HON. WILLIAM O. LIPINSKI

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 12, 1995

Mr. LIPINSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Kevin J. Krasneck for rescuing two brothers from a fire on August 1, 1994. Alae-Eldeen, 6, and Mohammed, 3, were unconscious in a bedroom of their family's one-story house after fire broke out in their living room. Kevin, an off-duty firefighter, was among the neighbors and others who responded to the scene and attempted a rescue. He entered the house through a window in the bedroom adjacent to the boys' room, and despite intense heat and dense smoke which precluded visibility, crawled into the boys' room. He found Alae-Eldeen, carried him to the window that he had entered, and handed him out to another man. Kevin then returned to the bedroom for Mohammed, whom he also took to the window. After handing Mohammed outside to safety, Kevin exited the house. Alae-Eldeen and Mohammed were hospitalized for treatment of smoke inhalation and burns. Kevin also received hospital treatment for smoke inhalation. Fortunately, all three recovered.

In honor of his extraordinary heroism, Kevin J. Krasneck was awarded the Carnegie Medal. This medal is given to civilians in the United States and Canada who risk their lives to an extraordinary degree while saving or attempting to save the lives of others. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to recognize Kevin for his bravery, and am sure that my colleagues would like to join me in acknowledging this heroic act.

TRIBUTE TO FORMER POLICE SERGEANT DONALD OLSON

HON. JIM RAMSTAD

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 12, 1995

Mr. RAMSTAD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to an outstanding public servant, Sgt. Donald Olson, who retired on September 30, 1995, after 32 years with the Minnetonka, Minnesota, Police Department.

Sergeant Olson has represented the highest standards in law enforcement for more than three decades. He started his career in 1963 as a patrol officer and was later assigned to the Investigative Division. Because of his highly commendable performance and well-deserved reputation for absolute integrity, Sergeant Olson was named Acting Chief of Police in 1983.

In 1989 Sergeant Olson was recognized for his many contributions to the law enforcement profession and was selected Minnetonka's Police Officer of the Year by the department staff.

Sergeant Olson was promoted to Sergeant in December 1990, and has been assigned to the Patrol Division for the past 5 years. His willingness to coach and guide other officers has made him an invaluable asset to the supervisory team.

Currently, Sergeant Olson serves as president of the Minnesota Law Enforcement Memorial Association, as well as first vice president of the Suburban Law Enforcement Association.

Through his strenuous efforts, a memorial has been built at our State capitol to pay tribute to all police officers who have given their lives in the line of duty.

Sergeant Olson's outstanding service to the community deserves special recognition, and I wholeheartedly salute the career of a great law enforcement officer and dedicated public servant.

On behalf of all the people of our community, I thank Sergeant Olson for his many contributions to making the city of Minnetonka a safer community for all. Our city is a better place to live, work, and raise families because of Sergeant Don Olson.

TRIBUTE TO 104TH FIGHTER GROUP

HON. JOHN W. OLVER

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 12, 1995

Mr. OLVER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to the men and women of the Massachusetts Air National Guard's 104th Fighter Group.

On October 14, 1995, I will be attending welcome home ceremonies for the 104th Fighter Group at Barnes Air National Guard Base in Westfield, MA. Since August 14, 1995, Mr. Speaker, some 509 members and 12 A-10 aircraft from the 104th Fighter Group have been deployed to Aviano Air Base, Italy as part of Operation Deny Flight, the U.N. peacekeeping mission in Bosnia.

Mr. Speaker, during this deployment A-10 aircraft from the 104th Fighter Group flew 351 sorties totalling more than 1,200 hours of flying time as part of a multi-national effort to enforce U.N. no-fly zones over Bosnia and restore peace to that troubled region. More than 200 of those sorties were part of Operation Deliberate Force, NATO's swift and decisive response to the tragic shelling of a Sarajevo marketplace by Serb forces.

During the 3 weeks of Operation Deliberate Force, Mr. Speaker, 104th Fighter Group pilots and crews conducted intensive airstrikes against Serb air defense batteries, radar sites and communication facilities. Their skill and bravery in carrying out these dangerous, round-the-clock missions were critical to the restoration of U.N. safe havens throughout Bosnia and contributed significantly to current strides in the peace process.

The men and women of the 104th Fighter Group have long distinguished themselves as one of the top A-10 units in both the Air National Guard and the Air Force, and their participation in Bosnia has been no exception.

During Operation Deny Flight/Deliberate Force, the 104th maintained an impressive 86 percent mission capability rate and was the Nation's first Air National Guard unit to employ sophisticated night vision equipment in combat. Aircraft from the 104th were also called upon by NATO to participate in the dangerous rescue mission of downed French *Mirage* jet pilots.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the people of the First Congressional District, I want to express my sincere pride and thanks to the men and women of the 104th Fighter Group for their brave and distinguished contributions to the cause of peace in Bosnia.

Welcome home and congratulations on a job well done.

TRIBUTE TO DOMESTIC ASSAULT RAPE ELIMINATION SERVICES AND THE WOMEN'S INTERVAL HOUSE

HON. DAVID E. BONIOR

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 12, 1995

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, this evening, October 12, 1995, the Domestic Assault Rape Elimination Services [DARES] of Port Huron, MI, and the Women's Interval Home of Sarnia, Canada are sponsoring the Third Annual International Candlelight March and Vigil. For the past 3 years these two organizations have sponsored this event to highlight the issue of domestic violence.

We usually think of the family as a safe haven from what is sometimes described as an uncaring and cruel outside world. Sadly, the family is one of the most dangerous places for far too many women and children. As many as 6 million women are victimized by domestic violence in the United States each year. Some 1,500 are killed annually. Thirty percent of women murdered in the United States die at the hands of a close friend or family member. These disturbing statistics illustrate the need for our society to face and address this important issue.

The DARES shelter services of St. Clair County, MI, and the Women's Interval Home of Sarnia, ON have been addressing this issue and compiling their own set of impressive statistics. DARES provided safe haven to nearly 800 adults and children for over 3,800 nights in the past year. The Women's Interval Home provided help to over 1,100 adults and children for over 3,400 nights. Unfortunately, domestic violence knows no international borders. However, the people who work and support the DARES shelter service and the Women's Interval Home remain committed to meeting the needs of those who have no place to turn, regardless of nationality.

There are probably as many myths as there are causes surrounding the nature of domestic abuse. One thing is for sure though, we must recognize this issue as a major social problem and support both the victims and those who provide assistance. I applaud these two groups as they work to treat, prevent, and educate people about domestic abuse.

We all look forward to a day when the needs for DARES and the Women's Interval Home will be unnecessary; but until then, I strongly support their efforts. As the organizers prepare for the Third Candlelight Vigil and March, I urge my colleagues to join me in working toward a future where everyone can feel safe in their home and neighborhood.

CONGRESSIONAL TRAVEL AND TOURISM CAUCUS

HON. TOBY ROTH

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, October 12, 1995

Mr. ROTH. Mr. Speaker, as the chairman of the largest caucus on the Hill, the Congress-

sional Travel and Tourism Caucus, allow me to highlight how important the month of October is to the travel and tourism industry.

On October 30 and 31, we will convene the first-ever White House Conference on Tourism. Of course, the caucus is planning a number of special events to coincide with the White House Conference.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of the caucus, and, in particular, Vice Chairman JIM OBERSTAR and Secretary BARBARA VUCANOVICH for their leadership.

In addition, I urge my colleagues who are not members of the caucus to join us. There are no dues or fees.

I cannot overemphasize the importance of this industry to our economic future. Travel and tourism is the second largest employer in the Nation. And it pumps \$417 billion into the economy every year. That is why this caucus is so large.

Following is our latest list of caucus members. If your name is not listed, I hope you will call my office and join us.

1995 CONGRESSIONAL TRAVEL AND TOURISM CAUCUS

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